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That some opposition should be manifested by the Chinese to the sanitary measures taken for staying the ravages of the plague is not very surprising. Modern sanitation is a science of which the ordinary Chinese could have no comprehension or appreciation, and when it is carried to the extent of an official house to house inspection and the compulsory removal of the sick he is inclined to rebel. The present emergency is one, however, in which the Government must stand firm on all essential points and not yield to popular clamour, but on the other hand, where the prejudices and sentiments of the natives can be yielded to without danger common humanity indicates a conciliatory policy, for there can be no desire to add to the fearful scourge now afflicting the native community any avoidable grievances.

The most sincere sympathy is felt both by the Government and the European community, with the natives in the affliction which has fallen upon them and the general feeling will be that they should be humoured as far as is consistent with the safety of themselves and the community at large.

From the beginning the Chinese have had the greatest possible repugnance to the removal of the sick to the Hygiene. If the disease were one which was amenable to treatment by the Western system of medicine and which the Chinese themselves were unable to treat, there would be some reason for insisting upon the patients being placed under the care of European doctors, but of a hundred and ten admissions to the Hygiene and the Kennedytown Hospital during the five days from noon on Tuesday to noon on Sunday there have been ninety deaths, which shows that medical treatment has little effect upon the disease.

The Chinese have more faith in their own system, and although their faith of the large number of cures effected at Canton must be largely discounted it may be readily conceded that in a purely Chinese hospital the mortality would not be likely to be greater than it has been in the Hygiene and at Kennedytown. The chief object of the removal of the sick to their segregation, and the Chinese having undertaken to establish a hospital of their own at the Glassworks, where the segregation will be as perfect as at the Government establishments, there can be no reasonable objection to all the cases being taken there. The sick will probably have as good a chance of recovering there as on the Hygiene and they will be better satisfied with their surroundings. If, of course, any one is to be wise after the event, it is a pity that at the commencement provision was not made for a purely Chinese hospital where the sick could be effectively segregated instead of utilizing the Hygiene. The possibility of objection being taken to the latter was foreseen and was discussed at the meeting of the Sanitary Board. The Colonial Surgeon and Dr. Lawson in their joint letter said: "We feel sure that it is

to the Hygiene and the situation is explained to them, and that the fact that the patients will be in charge of their own countrymen, no difficulty will be found in getting the affected people to go to hospital. These cases are a rule are too ill to object themselves and if any difficulty is caused then it must be met by the Government. The Hon. Mr. KAY suggested that many people would object to go to the Hygiene, but did not seem to have any idea of the strength of the objection (that would be manifested). Mr. Liu Wai-chuen was not present at the meeting, but even if he had been it is doubtful whether he would have been able to force the strength of the objection any more than Dr. Ho Kai. At all events, the Hygiene was decided upon, and next day, when it was seen the accommodation afforded by the bulk might prove insufficient, it was decided also to build a detached building. The objection of the Chinese to the latter seems to be almost as great as to the Hygiene. When Dr. Ayras and Dr. Lawson spoke in their letter of the patients being in charge of their own countrymen they were of course referring to the fact that the cases would be Chinese, but the hospital "have been in charge of European doctors and conducted on European, not on native lines; and that the nurses were Chinese does not seem to have weighed much with the native community. There is now to be a purely Chinese hospital, and the only point of regret is that the concession should not have been made before instead of after the opposition of the native community had reached the point of violence. With reference to the house to house inspection, however, and the sanitary measures to be taken in respect of premises where cases of the plague are discovered, it will be impossible to make any interdictive concession to native prejudice. The inspection must be continued, and be conducted thoroughly, as long as the plague continues, even if it becomes necessary to employ military guards for the protection of the sanitary officers. It is not likely, however, that any such extreme steps calling for the assistance of the military will become necessary. If care be taken to let the Chinese understand the object of the inspection and that it is made entirely in their own interests, and the inspection itself be made with as much regard to native feelings and prejudices as the circumstances admit of, probably no really serious collision will occur. If unfortunately the opposition should again break out into violence, the Government must be prepared to take whatever measures the public safety may seem to require.

THE PLAGUE

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There is good looking for this season's performance of the "Lioness" by Mrs. Foster and Mr. Bellamy's company, and doubtless to witness this powerful drama, there will be a very large audience.

The Independent gives great praise to Sanitor Antonio Pacheco, the President of the Mexican Republic, for his efforts in the promotion of the sanitation of Mexico, as a precaution against the ravages of the plague.

The disease has not yet reached Mexico, and now that the drought is at an end and there is an abundant water supply it may be hoped that it will not do so.

A plucky rescue from drowning was accomplished at Kobo by Morton Thurgood, A.B. of the *Glennville*, in the harbor on the 12th inst. We learn from the *Hygiene News*, a shipmate of the *Glennville*, that the ship was engaged by a yacht, and in a helpless condition fell into the water. Thurgood immediately jumped from the rail and seizing the swimmer in his arms, he carried him to the shore, where he was revived. Our contemporary hopes that proper representations will be made of the matter to the Royal Humane Society.

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J. J. Linn, Matheson & Co.
Glenora, American ship, 1,705, Sisman, May 8,
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Cambria, British sch., 1912, Dearhill, April 19,
J. J. Linn, Matheson & Co.
Maburna, Russian ste., 4,193, Vinnits, May 10,
J. J. Linn, Matheson & Co.
Eskling, British steamer, 1,401, Long, May 12,
H. Deane.
"Cord, American ste., 2,310, F. H. May 11,
P. F. S. Co.

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Nagasaki, Russian cruiser, 9 guns, 353 h. p.,
 at Vladivostok at Vladivostok
 "Parsang," French cruiser, Capt. Pourcel,
 at Vladivostok
 Patrol, American gunboat, Capt. Don. W. H.
 Moore, at Yokohama
 "Rabouin," Russian cruiser, Capt. Aashinster,
 at Vladivostok
 "Renda," Russian warship, Com. Ussary, Kow-
 koff, at Nagasaki
 "Richt," Russian gunboat, Capt. Baranoff, at
 Vladivostok
 "Sivobob," Russian cruiser, 15 guns, Capt. A-
 shinoff, at Nagasaki
 "Sonia," German cruiser, Captain Harbin, at
 Vladivostok
 "Tigre," French gunboat, 4 guns, 455 h. p., Capt.
 Constable, at Dairen
 "Tiger," Russian cruiser, Capt. Zaria, whose
 guns were captured by the "Gangut," a Molo-
 mosk, at Vladivostok

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